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VERIFICATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned verifies that the attached is a complete and accurate translation of German application No. 10 2004 005 709.5, priority of which has been claimed and should now be perfected.

Accordingly, early allowance is now earnestly solicited.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket # 102435.57668US).

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